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FDA,

Labeling requirements for irradiated foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, "should remain". The label on the foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, should be prominent and contain the understandable terms that the public can recognize such as "treated with irradiation" or irradiated". The sign of the radura symbol should also be present.

The labeling on irradiated foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, should not include "misleading" terms such as "cold pasteurization" or "electronic pasteurization". The consumer has the right to be made aware of the fact that their food, including fresh fruits and vegetables, have been altered in any way of if something has been added to it.

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